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5 BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER  
6 FOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

7 In the Matter of the Application  
8 regarding the Conversion and  
9 Acquisition of Control of Premera Blue  
Cross and its Affiliates

Docket No. G02-45  
TWENTY-FIRST ORDER: NOTICE OF  
BRIEFING SCHEDULE AND  
HEARING

10 On December 3, 2003, the Interveners filed a Motion for Emergency Hearing citing as  
11 the basis for their request information they received concerning possible changes to the case  
12 schedule and possible amendment of the Form A filing. As I have repeatedly stressed, the  
13 nature of this matter requires the greatest possible transparency to the public and any  
14 appearance to the contrary raises serious concerns.

15 Premera and the OIC Staff shall file briefs by close of business on Thursday, December  
16 11 responding to the issues raised in the Interveners' Motion for Emergency Hearing. A  
17 hearing on the issues raised in Interveners' Motion for Emergency Hearing will be held on  
18 Monday, December 15, 2003, in the second floor conference room (Room 221) of the  
19 Insurance Commissioner's Office at 5000 Capital Blvd, Tumwater, Washington 98504  
20 beginning at 10:00am.

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22 **IT IS SO ORDERED**, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2003.  
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26 MIKE KREIDLER  
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

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